

HOUSE RESOLUTION 284  
By Stanley

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Odell Baker for being  
chosen as the Germantown Lions Club 2003  
Citizen of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those  
citizens who through their extraordinary efforts have distinguished themselves as community  
leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Odell Baker, who was chosen by the  
Germantown Lions Club as its Citizen of the Year for 2003; and

WHEREAS, a Shelby County resident for nearly sixty years, Mr. Baker has been a  
driving force in voter registration efforts for many years; his promotion of the importance of  
voting and patriotism through a variety of events such as the Germantown Charity Horse Show  
and the Germantown Family 4th Celebration has made him an important fixture of the  
Germantown community; and

WHEREAS, through the distribution of patriotic decals, bumper stickers, and yardsticks  
emblazoned with a reminder to vote, Odell Baker has endeavored to impress upon both young  
and old the power of an individual's vote; his unwavering patriotism is a credit to America, this  
State, and the community of Germantown; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Baker epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a  
true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to  
acknowledge and applaud Odell Baker for his dedication to the State of Tennessee and its  
citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED  
THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and

commend Odell Baker for his meritorious service to the State of Tennessee, offer our congratulations upon his receipt of the 2003 Germantown Lions Club Citizen of the Year Award, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.